

7 JUN 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Air America Company Cable Regarding Narcotics

1. Attached is an Air America cable from Taipei to the Air America Managing Director in Washington. This cable quotes a letter from President Nixon which was sent to the Director of the AID Mission in Laos, Mr. Charles Mann, commending him for his efforts to combat narcotics traffic. Also quoted in the cable is a letter to Air America officials from Mr. Mann thanking the SIS of Air America in Vientiane for their efforts in combatting narcotics traffic.

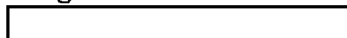
3. The attached is being sent to you for your records and information.



Special Assistant to the
Deputy Director for Support

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cc: General Counsel
✓ Legislative Counsel



Office of Security
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SUBJ HEARINGS BEFORE US SENATE FOREIGN OPERATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE OF
THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, 2 JUNE 1972

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1. PRESS RELEASE TRANSMITTED OUR SUNDAY MORNING TO BASE VICE
PRESIDENTS AND MANAGERS AT VIENTIANE, UDORN BANGKOK AND SAIGON
AND COPIED TO OFFICERS AND OTHERS CONCERNED PARTICULARLY DSY
AT TAIPEI, TAINAN, YOKOTA AND HONGKONG.
2. WE JUST RECEIVED AT TAIPEI COPIES OF COMMENDATION LETTERS FROM
MR MANN DIRECTOR USAIDL TO AIR AMERICA PERSONS AND FROM PRESIDENT
NIXON TO MR MANN REGARDING SIS AND NARCOTICS CONTROL EFFORTS
WHICH WE COPY TO YOU BELOW FOR YOUR POSSIBLE USE IN FURTHER PRESS
RELEASES OR OTHERWISE, WE SUPPOSE THAT THERE WOULD BE NO
OBJECTIONS TO OUR APPROPRIATE PUBLIC USE OF SUCH LETTERS BUT HAVE
ASKED UPVTE TO CONFIRM IT WITH MR MANN.
QUOTE

EMBASSY
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

U. S. AID MISSION
TO LAOS
MR. DAVID C. DUNCAN
AIR AMERICA
VIENTIANE

13 MAY 1972

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DEAR DAVE:

WHILE I AM OBVIOUSLY MOST MOVED AND MOST PROUD TO HAVE RECEIVED THE ATTACHED LETTER FROM PRESIDENT NIXON, IN WHICH HE EXPRESSES HIS "ADMIRATION AND APPRECIATION" FOR THE WORK OF THE AID MISSION IN THE NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM, I AM ALSO KEENLY AWARE OF THE PHRASE "YOUR COLLEAGUES" , AND OF THE FACT THAT WITHOUT YOUR HELP , THIS ACCOLADE COULD NOT HAVE BEEN EARNED.

THE BEST WAY I CAN THINK OF TO SHOW MY APPRECIATION FOR YOUR EXCELLEN
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SUPPORT TO THE U. S. MISSION EFFORT IN NARCOTICS CONTROL IS TO FORWAR
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TO YOU WITH THIS LETTER A FACSIMILE OF THE PRESIDENT'S NOTE, WITH MY
ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT IT IS ADDRESSED AS MUCH TO YOU AS IT IS TO ME, AS
EACH OF US PLAYED OUR PART IN MAKING THE PROGRAM A SUCCESS.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ALMOST SUPERFLUOUS FOR ME TO ADD MY PERSONAL AND
OFFICIAL THANKS TO YOU FOR YOUR GOOD WORK, BUT I SHALL NEVERTHELESS
MAKE BOLD TO DO SO.
WITH BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED PROGRESS AND SUCCESS.

SINCERELY OURS.

CHARLES A. MANN

CHARLES A. MANN
DIRECTOR

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

APRIL 25, 1972

DEAR MR. MANN:

THIS NOTE IS JUST TO EXPRESS MY ADMIRATION AND APPRECIATION FOR ALL THAT YOU AND YOUR COLLEAGUES WITH OUR AID MISSION IN LAOS HAVE DONE TO MAKE THE ADMINISTRATION'S INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL PROGRAM A SUCCESS. WITHOUT SUCH SKILL AND PERSEVERANCE ON YOUR PART, THE VERY REAL PROGRESS MADE THUS FAR IN LAOS WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE. EVERY AMERICAN WHO SHARES OUR DEEP CONCERN ABOUT THE MENACE OF DRUG ABUSE HAS REASON TO BE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR SPLENDID EFFORTS.
WITH MY BEST WISHES,

SINCERELY,
RICHARD NIXON

HONORABLE CHARLES A. MANN
DIRECTOR
AID MISSION
VIENTIANE, LAOS
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3. MR BRANDRUP SIS SUPERVISOR RECEIVED AN IDENTICAL LETTER FROM MR MANN.

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